

**THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2006 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.**

**PRESENT:** Anthony B. Toran, President, Chas Hunter, Shane Gibson, Police Chief Merle Harl, Traffic Division Supervisor Officer Joe Lewis, Code Enforcement Officer Pam Badger, Fire Chief Ron Toran, Deputy Fire Chief Stanley Mason, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Street Department Director Joddie Johnson, Flood Control Director Ron Granger, Building commissioner Ron Hartman, Controller Kay Garry, Sewer Billing director Kelly Welsh, and Animal Shelter Director David Hall.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**Mr. Toran called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item #1 - Officer State re: mock pre-prom drunk driving accident**

**Officer State** addressed the board and requested that he be allowed to hold a mock drunk driving accident before the New Albany High School prom on April 25 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. He presented a map of the streets that need to be closed.

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve the closing of the streets as indicated on April 25 from 8-11, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Toran** stated that Mr. Gibson will be serving on the board for the next couple of weeks.

**Item #2 - Tommy Kaiser, Kaiser Tobacco, 945-2651, re: park advertising bus in April  
Officer Lewis stated that he is wanting to put an advertisement bus on the street.**

**Mr. Kaiser** stated that it will be prior to the Derby for a cigar event for four hours in the evening.

**Officer Lewis** stated that they will need cones and barricades for safety.

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

**Item #3 - Tom Raatz, Sweet Stuff Bakery, re: sign over shop**

**Mr. Raatz** requested to be able to hang a sign over the sidewalk at his business location on Silver Street.

**Mr. Gibson** asked if his insurance would cover it.

**Mr. Raatz** stated that it would.

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

**Item #4 - Morgan Futter, 542 Beharrell Avenue, re: curb cut for new driveway.**

**Ms. Futter** addressed the board and requested a curb cut for a driveway. She presented a picture for the board which is on file in the City Clerk's office.

**Mr. Hunter** stated that in the past they normally go by to be sure there is not a problem with the site distance.

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**Mr. Gibson made a motion to approve subject to the City Engineer's review, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Item #5 - Kathy Copas, St. Paul's Church, 502-345-6406, re: banner pole placement.**

**Ms. Wisman** requested on behalf of St. Paul's Church that they be allowed to place poles for banners around their building. The diagram for the placement of these poles is on file with the City Clerk's office.

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in banner.**

**Item #6 - La Rosita, Market Street re: tables on sidewalk for diners.**

**Mr. Israel Landin** owner of La Rosita along with \_\_\_\_\_ approached the board to request out-door eating in front of his establishment on Market Street.

**Mr. Toran** asked how many tables will be there.

**Ms.** stated that they would use six tables and leave the necessary 4 feet for the people to walk through. She stated that they would also like to put up a barrier next to the street to protect the people.

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

**Officer Lewis** stated that the City needs to repaint the sidewalk for the fire Hydrant that is on this corner.

**Item #7 - Marcey Wisman re: St. Mary's Church Hispanic Ministry Way of the Cross (Via Crucias) on Good Friday, April 14, at 7:00 p.m.**

**Ms. Wisman** requested on behalf of St. Mary's Church Hispanic Ministry that they be allowed to hold the Way of the Cross (Via Crucias) again this year on Good Friday. She presented a letter that set out the streets that they would be taking which is on file in the City Clerk's office.

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Item #1 - Officer Lewis re: list for additional signs in Silver Grove area**

**Officer Lewis** stated that he looked and he believes that there needs to be stop signs on Indiana at Morton and McLean and at Spring Avenue and Woodrow Avenue.

**Mr. Hunter made a motion to approve the signs at Indiana at Morton and McLean, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Gibson moved to approve the sign at Woodrow and Spring, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Officer Lewis** would like to wait until the bridge is open to do a traffic study for the requested sign on Beechwood Avenue and Elm or Spring Avenue.

**Nathan Grimes** stated that he has talked with the residents at 913 and 911 Pennwood and they have no problem with the placement of the flasher on the property line between their homes, and Mr. Wisheart from the school system stated that they will pay for it to be moved.

**Cindy** \_\_\_\_\_ stated that she would agree to this placement but she would prefer that it be up closer to the stop sign in the middle of the block.

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**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the placement of the school crossing sign.**

**Mr. Hunter moved that the light be moved between 911 and 913 on the property line, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:**

**Mrs. Garry** presented claims from 2/24/06 to 2/23/06 in the total amount of \$5,067,367.44

**Mr. Gibson moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.**

**Joddie Johnson** reported that they had salt trucks out at 5:00 a.m. this morning just to be safe.

**Officer Lewis** reported that Pam Badger went out to a house yesterday that they have been trying to get cleaned up for the past three years and that it is now clean.

**Mr. Hall** thanked the street department for there help with the backhoe and he reported that they had twelve adoptions during the St. Patrick's Day event.

**Mr. Toran** asked about the play area that they are building.

**Mr. Hall** stated that the new play area will be dedicated in April.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:**

**Tom and Helen Spuddich**, asked for an up-date on 1018 E. Spring Street.

**Mr. Toran** presented a memo that he received from the Plan Department regarding the driveway at 1018 E. Spring stating that they have contacted the property owner to let him know that the gravel driveway does not comply with City Ordinance.

**Mr. Spuddich** stated that it looks like there is someone living in the back apartment where there is no heat.

**Mr. Gibson** stated that he talked with Mr. Hartman last week about how he can get into the property for inspection.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the appalling conditions of several houses within the East Spring Street Neighborhood Association area and what the City is doing about these conditions.**

#### **BIDS:**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Mr. Hunter moved to approve the minutes of March 7 and 14, Mr. Gibson second, all voted in favor.**

#### **ADJOURN:**

**There being no further business to go before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Anthony B. Toran, President**  
**Board of Public Works & Safety**

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**Marcey Wisman, City Clerk**  
**Civil City of New Albany, Indiana**

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